



Chess Chatter

Newsletter of the Port Huron Chess Club

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The **Port Huron Chess Club** meets Thursdays, except holidays, from 6:30-10:00 PM, at Palmer Park Recreation Center, 2829 Armour Street, (NE corner of Garfield Street and Gratiot Ave...1 mile North of the Blue Water Bridge) Port Huron, Michigan. Everyone is welcome. All equipment provided. Email: PtHuronChessClub@aol.com or Website: <http://porthuronchessclub.yolasite.com>

Gregg/Rutkofske share October G/10 Quick Chess Event

Thursday, September 29th turned out to be a marquee evening for the PHCC as 8 club members chose to compete in the rescheduled G/10 Quick Chess Event. **Eric Roome** demonstrated his competitive spirit by not only reactivating his 2013 membership but registering an effort untained by defeat and good for a 3rd place finish. Both **Alan Gregg** and **Lon Rutkofske** survived time losses to split the first prize cash. The evening was especially significant not only because of Eric's return to the fold, but also because of the reemergence of **Chuck Heinrich** from a lengthy educational hiatus.

#	Name/Rtng/ID	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Rd 6	Rd 7	Prizes
1	Alan Gregg 1951	B 7 1.0	W 6 2.0	B 5 3.0	W 4 3.5	B 3 4.5	W 2 4.5	W 8 5.5	\$17.00
2	Lonnie Rutkofske 1927	B 6 1.0	W 5 2.0	B 4 2.5	W 3 2.5	W 8 3.5	B 1 4.5	W 7 5.5	\$17.00
4	Eric Roome 1721	W 8 1.0	B 3 2.0	W 2 2.5	B 1 3.0	W 7 4.0	B 6 4.5	W 5 5.0	\$5.00
3	Matthew Morabito 1743	B 5 0.0	W 4 0.0	W 8 1.0	B 2 2.0	W 1 2.0	B 7 3.0	W 6 4.0	
5	William Wingrove 1561	W 3 1.0	B 2 1.0	W 1 1.0	B 7 1.5	W 6 2.5	B 8 3.5	B 4 4.0	
6	Noel Bedy 1507	W 2 0.0	B 1 0.0	W 7 1.0	B 8 2.0	B 5 2.0	W 4 2.5	B 3 2.5	
8	Chuck Heinrich 1000	B 4 0.0	W 7 1.0	B 3 1.0	W 6 1.0	B 2 1.0	W 5 1.0	B 1 1.0	
7	Gerrit Beneker 1432	W 1 0.0	B 8 0.0	B 6 0.0	W 5 0.5	B 4 0.5	W 3 0.5	B 2 0.5	

An additional pleasant surprise was the participation of both **Bill Wingrove** and **Gerrit Beneker**, who let several time victories slip through his fingers. Both played remarkably well in a quick chess format that they both customarily avoid. As for **Matt Morabito**, he suffered significant anguish due to his generosity in surrendering his queen and a host of other pieces to opponents more than a little eager to accept them. **Noel "I hate speed chess" Bedy** once again demonstrated his support of our tournament efforts and proved a spoiler by garnering key draws from a few of the would be challengers.

Many thanks to those hearty enthusiasts and hope see you at the 2016 Speed Championships on October 20th!

PHCC Members Preparing for G/10 Quick Tournament



Left front to back: Luka Teofilovich, Bill Wingrove, Gerrit Beneker: Right front to back: Alan Gregg and Eric Roome. (9-29-16)



Left to Right - Eric Roome, Gerrit Beneker, Bill Wingrove, Alan Gregg, Luka Teofilovich. (9-29-16)

Members' Games



Please send me what you consider your best games, annotated or not, so that I might be able to showcase them. The following games represent contests that have been available at the time of this printing. Email them to me or give them to me personally, if you wish. Majority of analyses is done by Fritz 12, unless otherwise indicated.

Wood, Peter - Eagle, Chris [A07] Reti Opening

Challenge Game Port Huron Chess Club, 10.09.1981

[Pete Wood]-[Pete was a regular contributor and editor of our club newsletter for many years and annotated a lively column called "Just Jiv'in" often comical and satirical, humorously poking fun at club members. He also was published in the Michigan Chess Association Magazine. He

unfortunately passed away by his own hand at a very young age. I chose this game because it demonstrates his wit and chess sense as well!- Lon Rutkofske - Port Huron Chess Club] **1.Nf3 Nc6 2.g3 e5 3.d3 d5 4.Bg2 Bc5 5.0-0 Bd7 6.Nbd2 h5 7.e4 Nf6 8.exd5** Silly Pawn grabber me! I thought I could win this pawn, but overlooked Black's 10th move! **8...Nxd5 9.Nxe5 Nxe5 10.Bxd5 Bg4 11.Bf3 Nxf3+ 12.Nxf3 Qd5 13.Re1+ Be7** Chris thought this move was wrong, but I was going to answer any K-move with Re5! **14.Qe2 0-0-0 15.Qxe7 Qxf3** The Eagle slew the great white Knight and boldly announced mate in two!! He then signed his score sheet and circled himself the winner!! Great Bluffer, that Eagle! **16.Bf4 Rd7 17.Qe4 h4 18.Qxf3 Bxf3 19.Re3 Bd5 20.b3 f6** No thank you! I've met Mr. Noah (As in the Noah's Ark Trap with g5!) He kidnaps clergymen and usually holds them for ransom. One or two foot soldiers are his usual asking price, but after you pay, he never gives you your bishop back! Must be an atheist!?! **21.Re2 Bf3 22.Re3 Bd5 23.Re2 g5 24.Bd2 hxg3 25.fxg3 Rdh7 26.Bc3 Rh6 27.Rf1 Rh3 28.Bxf6 R8h5 29.Rf5 Bc6 30.Rxg5 Rh6 31.Rg8+ 1-0**

Petty, Michael - Fiedler, Robert [B30] Sicilian Defense

1982 PHCC Championships Closed Port Huron (3), 18.02.1982

1.e4 c5 2.Bc4 e6 3.Nc3 Nc6 4.Nf3 a6 5.d4 b5 6.Be2 cxd4 7.Nxd4 Ne5 8.f4 Nc4 9.b3 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nd6 11.Bb2 Qh4+ 12.g3 Qe7 13.0-0-0 Bb7 14.Bf3 Nh6 15.e5 Bxf3 16.exd6 Qxd6 17.Qxf3 0-0 18.Nf5 Qc6 19.Nxh6+ gxh6 20.Nd5 exd5 21.f5 f6 22.Qg4+ Kh8 23.Qxb4 Rac8 24.Rd2 d4 25.Qxd4 Qxh1+ 26.Rd1 Qxh2 27.Qd3 d5 28.Bd4 Rc6 29.Rd2 Qh1+ 30.Kb2 Qe4 31.Qxe4 dxe4 32.g4 Kg7 33.Rh2 Rfc8 34.c3 a5 35.Re2 b4 36.Rxe4 bxc3+ 37.Kc2 a4 38.bxa4 Rc4 39.a3 Kf7 40.a5 Ra4 0-1

Eagle, Chris - Bemben (1695) [C42] Petroff's Defense

1982 Michigan Class , 1982 [Chris Eagle]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nxe5 d6 4.Nf3 Nxe4 5.d4 d5 6.Bd3 Be7 7.0-0 0-0 8.Re1 Bf5 In MCO 12 Korn gives this a question mark and suggests Nd6 . While this opening does not enjoy the popularity it had 50 years ago, it is solid and gives Black good chances for equality. I play this particular line myself, **9.Nbd2** 9.c4 is almost always played here, but if Black plays right, he can solve all of his problems. This moves seems to give Black lasting problems as his kingside is weak and he must be careful not to let White have an attack. **9...Nd6 10.Bxf5 Nxf5 11.Re5** Probably best is 11...Nd4 12.Nd4, Bf6 13.Nf3 Be5 14.Ne5 and Black gets two pieces for the R and pawn. Now Black has a lasting disadvantage. **11...Nh6 12.h3 Nc6 13.Re1 Nf5**

14.Nb3 Bd6?? A decisive mistake, weakening his kingside to the point where it probably cannot be defended. **15.Qd3 Nfe7 16.Ng5 Ng6 17.Nc5 Rb8 18.h4! Re8** Ugly but forced! **19.Rxe8+ Qxe8 20.Bd2 b6 21.Re1 Qc8 22.h5 Nf8 23.Qf3 Nd8** Black's pieces are all tied up and he is practically in zugzwang. **24.Nd3 f6 25.h6** I am determined to give away this pawn!! **25...Nfe6 26.hxg7 Nxd4?** Black's position is beyond saving, but White ends the game quickly! **27.Qxf6** Resigns **1-0**

Saucer (1879) - Eagle,Chris [B25] Closed Sicilian Defense

1982 World Open Philadelphia, 04.07.1982 [*Chris Eagle*]

1.Nf3 c5 2.g3 g6 3.Bg2 Bg7 4.d3 Nf6 5.e4 d6 6.0-0 0-0 7.Nc3 Nc6 8.h3 Bd7 9.Be3 Rb8 10.Qd2 b5 11.Ne2 a5 12.c3 Qc8 This game is an excellent example of the penalty for not having a plan. While Black's plan is about as simple as can be - attack on the queen's side, White has not plan at all. The result is that after only twelve moves not only has Black equalize but he's gained the initiative as well. **13.Kh2 c4 14.Ne1 cxd3 15.Nxd3 Ne8 16.Rac1 Ne5 17.Nxe5 Bxe5 18.f4 Bg7 19.g4** White's K-pawn has become very weak. He should have used his last move to activate his pieces so that it could be protected. **19...Qb7** The buildup begins! **20.Bd4** This may be the losing move, letting Black strike at White's center with tempo. **20...e5 21.Be3 Bc6 22.Ng3 Nf6 23.Qc2 d5** Obtaining a passed pawn. **24.fxe5 Nxe4 25.Nxe4 dxe4 26.Bf4 Rfe8** This move is inferior to QRe8, but I played it convinced that White would push his K-pawn leaving me with a passed pawn in the center with a rook behind it. Hopefully enough to with the game! **27.e6 Rbc8** It is important to keep the bishop protected. **28.exf7+ Qxf7 29.Rce1 Qxa2 30.Ra1 Qc4 31.Rxa5 e3 32.Bg3 e2 33.Re1 Bxg2 34.Kxg2 Qd5+ 35.Kh2!** All other moves lose...35.Kg1 to 35...Re3 followed by Qf3!; and 35.Kf2...with Bd4! winning the White Queen. **35...Qf3 36.Raa1 Re3 37.Rg1!** Resigns. White runs out of checks after: **37...Be5!** Resigns. [*White runs out of checks after: 38.Qb3+ Kf8 39.Qb4+ Kf7 40.Qb3+ Ke7 41.Qb4+ Ke6 42.Qb3+ Kd6 43.Qb4+ Rc5 44.Ra6+ Kd5 45.Qb3+ Ke4 46.Qc2+ Rd3 47.Ra4+ Rc4 0-1*]

Calendar of Events: [Note the change for the First Thursday of Each Month.](#)

First Thursday of Each Month - Chess Clinics- 6:30 to 7:00 PM - \$7.50 per person. From 7:00 until 10:00. Players wishing to play Challenge matches with longer time controls of G/60 with 5 sec delay can choose to play match games if they so desire. Participants will be required to follow the rules and regulations for **Challenge Play** (As outlined in Chess Chatter, our website under "Club Member Ratings Lists", or posted at the club.) and colors will be selected by lot. PHCC club ratings will be used. Players should turn their game scores into Lon, so he can adjust ratings appropriately and showcase the games in *Chess Chatter*.

2016 Events Schedule:

PHCC SPEED CHAMPIONSHIPS SLATED FOR OCTOBER 20TH

The Port Huron Chess Club's 35th Annual Speed Championship Tournament will be held on Thursday, October 20th beginning at 7:00 PM. Registrations will determine the number of rounds and prizes. Entry fee will be \$5.00 for adults/\$2.50 for juniors. Please contact Lon if you plan to play. There will be no registrations on-site. If you intend to play, contact Lon before October 20th.

Nov. 17 17th Duncan Memorial Turkey Gobbler Tournament

Dec. 15 Wilkinson's Petrosian Christmas Extravaganza

Dues News:

While dues are not required for anyone interested in playing at the club, they are required for those competing in tournament play. Annual Dues are \$20.00 for adults and \$10.00 for those under 19. Dues funds are used to offset miscellaneous expenses not funded by the Recreation Department. **Expiring memberships in October - Noel Bedy, Adam Nowiski, Matthew Morabito... in November - Nathan Allen**

PHCC Rating Lists

The following list represents only current members of the Port Huron Chess Club. Current USCF ratings were used for members that had them, in order to establish the initial club rating list. The USCF rating format is used as the basis for calculating our club rating list. Members that had no USCF ratings are given a provisional rating based on their performances against regular club members who had USCF ratings. Club rated events will use these ratings for pairing purposes.

PHCC Rating List as of 9/30/16

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Bruziewicz, Andrew	2118
Gregg, Alan	1913
Rutkofske, Lon	1905
Morabito, Matt	1898
West, Tony	1878
Wilkinson, Stew	1866
Jones, G. Avery	1751
Wingrove, Bill	1700
Bedy, Noel	1647
Roome, Eric	1641
Scholfield, Chris	1503
Beneker, Gerrit	1483
Boucher, Dave	1482
Heinrich, Chuckie	994
Nowiski, Adam	969
Allen, Nathan	957

USCF Ratings as of 9/30/16

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Bruziewicz, Andrew	2121
Gregg, Alan	1941
West, Tony	1889
Morabito, Matt	1860
Rutkofske, Lon	1859
Wilkinson, Stew	1844
Jones, G. Avery	1675
Wingrove, Bill	1614
Roome, Eric	1546
Bedy, Noel	1529
Boucher, Dave	1303
Heinrich, Chuckie	896P
Nowiski, Adam	673P7

PHCC Speed Ratings as of 9/30/16

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Bruziewicz, Andrew	2248
Gregg, Alan	1942
Wilkinson, Stew	1938
Rutkofske, Lon	1922
West, Tony	1801
Jones, G. Avery	1764
Roome, Eric	1749
Morabito, Matt	1732
Wingrove, Bill	1609
Scholfield, Chris	1552
Bedy, Noel	1505
Nowiski, Adam	1364
Beneker Gerrit	1287
Heinrich, Chuckie	1051
Allen, Nathan	984